All Hallows' Five Dock



Fifth Sunday of Lent | Year A | Sunday 26th March

Parish Mission

We, the people of this place, live and celebrate a love of faith.

We share this faith in a spirit of service, that creates a sense of God's presence among us.

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A Reflection by Fr Richard

The Lord shall turn all our sunsets into sunrise!

Whenever we are gathered as a faith community, the word of God presents us with people who have also gone out and beyond the tombs of their own temptations and suffering and even death.

As we draw near to the end of Lent, this week's Gospel clearly has Jesus' passion and death in view. That's why the Evangelist John gives us the detail about the sister of Lazarus, Mary - that she is the one who anointed the Lord for burial.

More so, when Lazarus is raised, the Evangelist John notices the tombstone being taken away, as well as Lazarus' burial cloths and head covering. All the details here foreshadow Jesus' empty tomb, in other words, his resurrection.

Like the blind man in last week's Gospel, Lazarus represents all humanity. He stands for "dead man" - for all those Jesus loves and wants to liberate from the bands of sin and death.

Faith is the key. If we believe, we will see that Jesus loves each of us as he loved Lazarus. We shall realise that he calls us out of death and into new life. If we believe as Martha does in this week's Gospel - that Jesus is the resurrection and the life, even if we die, we will live.

With best wishes - Fr Richard

Sacramental Life

Holy Mass:

Saturday: 8am & 5.30pm Vigil

Sunday: 8.30am (1st Sunday of the month - Italian mass), 10am and 5pm

Monday - Friday: 8am

Wednesday: Eucharistic Exposition &

Adoration - 12pm - 4pm

• Start: Exposition at 12 noon

• Divine Mercy prayers: 3:00pm

Reconciliation: 3pm – 4pm
Benediction: 3:45pm • Finish: 4:00pm

Reconciliation:

Saturday:

8:30am-9am / 4:45pm - 5:15pm Or any time by appointment.

Sick Calls:

Any time - day/night.

Baptisms:

Every Sunday at 11am.



OF LENT

Weddings:

Contact the parish office.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney: Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you, or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police. To read the Archdiocese Child Safeguarding policy, please visit the parish website (https://www.allhallows.org.au/safeguarding).



Easter Masses



Holy Thursday - April 6

7pm – Mass of the Last Supper followed by Adoration until 11pm.

Good Friday - April 7

10.00am - Stations of the Cross | 3.00pm - Celebration of the Passion of the Lord



Holy Saturday - April 8

5:30pm - Easter Vigil Mass of the Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday - April 9

Masses are at 8:30am and 10.00am *Note: There will be no 5pm mass.

Second Rite of Reconciliation - March 30 at 6:30pm at All Hallows Church

Walking With Our Lady Through Holy Week

A Women's Retreat Day with the Dominican Sisters of Saint Cecilia

Date: 1 April Time: 10am-4pm

Where: St Peter Chanel Church, 62 Kingsland Rd, Berala



Along with talks and discussion, the day will include time for silence and prayer during a Holy Hour. An opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Morning tea and lunch are provided. Register online: https://www.trybooking.com/CGHGO

Palm Cross Weaving



Using palm fronds to weave decorative crosses is a long-standing Palm Sunday tradition. You are invited to a palm weaving workshop in the parish hall on **Friday 31 March from 8.45am**. Palm Sunday is on April 2 and these crosses can be taken to Mass on Palm Sunday to be blessed. Palm leaves will be supplied. Toddlers and pre-schoolers are most welcome. Morning tea will be provided.

Stations of the Cross



During Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be held in the Church on **Fridays at 7pm**.



Please join us.

Project Compassion

Project Compassion brings together Australian schools, parishes and supporters to raise funds for people in vulnerable communities across the world. This year, we introduced you to the story of four inspiring people whose lives have been transformed with your generous support: Laxmi, Tereesa, Priscilla and Thu. Today, they are creating a better world for their families, their communities and for



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Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.



Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting <u>caritas.org.au/project-compassion</u>, or by calling 1800 024 413.

Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

Christian Bonaddio
Michael Ciaglia
Sr Teresa Brooks
Alana McKay Smith
Wayne Smith
Frank Hume
Nick Hume
Grace Cacnio
Philippa Mary Sikulu
Andrew Ammendolia
Anne Fidler
Margaret Liccardello

*names will remain on the list for 1 month unless notified

Recently Deceased:

Giovanni Marchegiani Caterina Scarfo Giovanni Sorbello Lise Etuasi John Stowell Cutler



Anniversaries:

Maria Mattson Leonardo Pedano Pamela Pedano Antonino La Scala Vincenzo Benefatto Vincenzo Restelli Crocetta Valenti

For the Souls of the Faithful Departed:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May all the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen





Ministers of Holy Communion - Easter Masses Sign up Sheets

If you are a Minister of Holy Communion and would like to minister at one of the Easter masses, please register using the sign up sheet in the gathering space.





Washing of the Feet Volunteers

If you would like to be one of the twelve to take part in the washing of the feet on Holy Thursday, please register using the sign up sheet in the gathering space.

Sacramental Program 2023

Please find below the key dates for the 2023 Sacramental Program at All Hallows Parish.

First Reconciliation: Term 2 (Offered to children baptised Catholic in year 3 and older)

- Parent Information Evening: Wednesday 3rd May, 2023 at 7pm in the church
- Sacrament of First Reconciliation: Thursday 15th June,2023 (evening)
- Enrolments: Registration is now open.
 Please register online through the parish website.

Confirmation: Term 3 (Offered to children in year 6 and older who have received First Holy Communion)

- Parent Information Evening: Wednesday 19th July, 2023 at 7pm in the church
- Sacrament of Confirmation: Sunday 20th August, 2023 at 12pm and 3pm
- Enrolments: Open Monday 12 June, 2023

Holy Communion: Term 4 (Offered to children who have received First Reconciliation)

- Parent Information Evening: Wednesday 11th October, 2023 at 7pm in the church
- Sacrament of Holy Communion: Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th November, 2023
- Enrolments: Open Monday 4 September, 2023

For further information please visit the parish website or contact the parish office.

Sacraments

Baptisms



We welcome

Bodhi Alf Bonfiglio

who is being baptised into our parish community of All Hallows this weekend.



"Anyone who welcomes this little child in my name welcomes Me." - Luke 9:48.

Palms for Palm Sunday Needed

As Palm Sunday is fast approaching, does anyone have any palms that they would like to donate? These will be cut up and blessed and available for people to take on Palm Sunday. Please place donated palms in the box in the gathering space of the church.

Wedding Anniversaries

Wishing

Matteo and Francesca Accardo

a happy 50th Wedding Anniversary



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Frank and Maria Pollifrone a happy 70th Wedding anniversary!

Wedding Celebration



Congratulations to

Ewen Fernandes and Priya Devarapalli



on their wedding at All Hallows this weekend.

Please pray that God bless their marriage and bring them peace, love and happiness.

"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love."

But the greatest of these is love."

1 Corinthians 13:13

Children's Corner

Lazarus comes back to life

M C E R M A R T H A E H
Q S I S T E R S T O N E
V W E W K N G S I C K A
P S P I P M N V G T O M
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A U N B A E W I I J D R
W S Y D T O M B F A C E

Try to find these words:

Bethany
cloth
cry
face
Lazarus
Martha
Mary
out
sick
sister
stone
tomb

First Reading

Ez 37:12-14

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live.

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this - it is the Lord who speaks.



Responsorial Psalm

(R.) With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

- 1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice! O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading. (R.)
- 2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive? But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you. (R.)
- 3. My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word. My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak. (Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord.) (R.)
- 4. Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity. (R.)

Second Reading

Rom 8:8-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he will give life to your own mortal bodies.

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual. since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

Next Week's Readings

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

1st Reading: Is 50:4-7 2nd Reading: Phil 2:6-11 Gospel: Mt 26:14 - 27:66

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord: whoever believes in me will not die for ever.

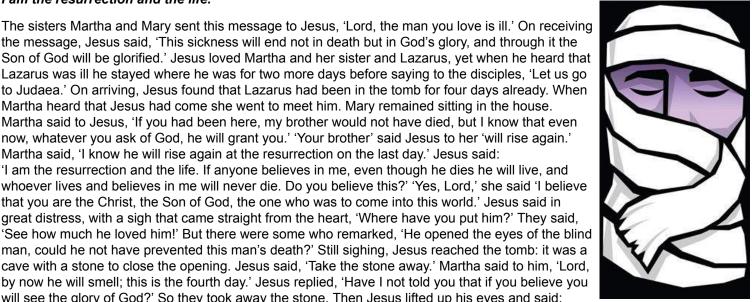
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Gospel

Jn 11:3-7. 17. 20-27. 33-45 (Shorter form) A reading from the holy Gospel according to John I am the resurrection and the life.

Son of God will be glorified.' Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.' On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day,' Jesus said: I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' 'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the



'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me, but I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.' When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.' Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

GOD GIVES LIFE!

Spot the * difference

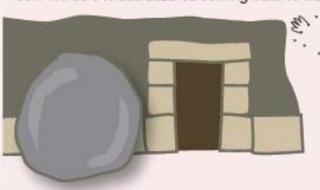
Can you find differences between Martha and Mary?



Jesus' friend Lazarus has died. Jesus is very sad. He asks for the stone to be rolled away from the entrance to the tomb and calls to Lazarus. Lazarus comes out of the tomb alive - it's a miracle!

Lazarus Lives again!

Join the dots to see Lazarus coming back to life!



When I

Lazarus' sisters, Martha and Mary, looked after Lazarus when he was sick. Who looks after you when you are sick? Draw a picture of them caring for you.

looks after me when I am sick

No longer sad

Lazarus was alive again! How do you think everyone felt?



Draw the faces of the people when they saw Lazarus come out of the tomb. How would you feel? Draw yourself in the crowd.

of different things too. Help me to remember you are always with me, however I am feeling. Amen.

I feel all kinds of different things, Jesus. You felt lots

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